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These Disks

Are Equally
Black and
Distinct

If one should appear blacker than the others you have defective vision, and this defect should never be neglected. This test should be made with one eye at a time, 20 inches distant. The above is a rough test. Ours are scientific and accurate, and the only ones that can be relied on.

Have Our Optician Test Your Eyes.

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Your attention we want to hold it long enough to tell you that we have just received a choice shipment of CALIFORNIA NEW GRASS CREAMERY BUTTER that is unequalled in excellence and price.

NEW GRASS BUTTER, per lb. 25c.
NEW GRASS BUTTER, per square 40c.
NEW JAMS, 5 lb. pail 50c.
TABLE FRUITS, 3 lb. tin 25c.
SALAD DRESSING, bottle 35c.

DIXIE H. ROSS & CO.

"EUREKA"



Found amid the gladsome flowers of Easter! A perfectly shaped, perfectly fitting, well sewn and stylish shoe! The Shoe Emporium's Easter presentations of shoe successes are attracting deserved attention, and merit your consideration. We would be pleased to have you see our Spring stock of choice low cut and high cut shoes at low prices.

...THE...
Paterson Shoe Co., Ltd.,
Shoe Emporium,
Corner Government and Johnson Sts.

WALL PAPER SALE

Balance of last year's papers are selling at TWENTY PER CENT. DISCOUNT, OR FORTY TRADING STAMPS on the Dollar.

This is an opportunity to buy good papers at exceptionally low prices, for we MUST clear out all old stock to make shelf room for new goods, of which we have an immense stock, all at low prices.

J. W. MELLOR, 70 AND 75 FORT STREET, ABOVE DOUGLAS STREET

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The Trade are invited to call and inspect our many and varied lines of Spring Goods, which we offer at prices that cannot be beaten.

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—VICTORIA, B. C.— WHOLESALE DRYGOODS

NICHOLLES & RENOUF, LD

Poultry Netting, Garden Tools,
Bone Mills, Lawn Mowers,
Garden Barrows, Paints and Oils.

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61 Yates Street, Victoria.

TO-LET, THE STORE

On Fort and Douglas Streets, lately known as the Royal Saloon. Apply

The B.C. Land and Investment Agency,
40 GOVERNMENT STREET.

A Bargain Every Day

LOOK AT THESE.
A lot on Stanley Avenue, close to Fort, for \$400.
Lot and cottage, Second street, electric light and sewer connection. Cheap.
Lot and cottage, close in, only 1,100.
Lot and cottage (new), close to car line, for 1,400.
7 roomed house, with all modern improvements; choice location; big bargain.
Lot and cottage, Victoria West, for 750.
Choice cor. lot, with 6 roomed house, close in, at a price which is sure to suit you.
2 furnished houses to let.
Money to loan. Fire and Life Insurance.
P. C. MACGREGOR & CO.,
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE AGENTS,
NO. 2 VIEW STREET.

Easter Bargains

We are offering, in addition to our numerous other bargains, THREE CHOICE BARGAINS for Easter.

Two cottages and one building lot, all well situated.
FIRST COME SECURES FIRST CHOICE.

F. G. Richards

Managing Director, Victoria Real Estate and Insurance Co., Ltd.
Corner Office of the Macgregor Block, Opposite Deland Hotel.

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FOR SALE

James Bay, 5 roomed cottage, in first-class repair, hot and cold water, bath, etc., etc., large lot, \$1,500.
James Bay, nice cottage and 1/2 lots, cheap 1,400.
On Cadboro Bay road, a lovely 5 roomed cottage and large lot, well arranged, and cheap at 1,000.
A fine chance to secure a chicken ranch near the city, containing nearly four acres of cleared and fenced land, five roomed modern cottage, barn, stable and chicken houses, and young orchard; owner will sacrifice for 1,100.
David street, a cheap 700.
Third St. Work Estate, 6 roomed cottage, hot and cold water, brick and stone foundation, well built, 1,900.
North Park St., large lot, with double frontage, 525.
Near Oak Bay Ave. a new 7 roomed 2 story house, well built, large lot and good barn 2,625.

TO RENT

Landowne road, house and acre of land; rent per month \$8.
Pongias street, good 2 story house 10.
Bithel street, 5 roomed cottage 10.
Furnished house, Harrison street 25.
Mount Tolmie road, house and 1 acre 7.
Chatham street, 6 roomed house 10.
Furnished house, James Bay 35.

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9 and 11 Troncoe Avenue, Victoria, B.C.

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Ottawa Theatre Fire

The Loss Amounts to About \$30,000 and the Insurance \$63,500.

President of Company Says He Does Not Feel Disposed to Rebuild.

Petition Against C. A. McCool, Member for Nipissing, Has Been Dismissed.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, April 9.—Smouldering debris to-day stands in place of the Russell theatre, one of the finest theatrical houses in the country. The loss is about \$30,000, and the insurance \$63,500.

The insurance is divided in sums of \$10,000 among several of the leading companies. All the money, which included yesterday's receipts, and amounted to a considerable figure, was removed from the safe before the fire reached that part of the building. Just how the fire occurred it is difficult to say, although the general belief is that it was from the boiler room.

Mr. H. N. Rate, the president of the Russell Theatre Co., states that so far as he is concerned he does not feel disposed to rebuild.

Following is the official list of insurance on the Russell theatre:

On the building—Queen, \$5,000; London & Lancashire, \$5,000; Manchester, \$2,500; Sun, \$5,000; Hartford, \$5,000; Alliance, \$2,500; Ottawa Fire Insurance, \$2,500; National of Ireland, \$2,500; Aps, \$2,500; Royal, \$5,000; Guardian, \$5,000; N. B. Mercantile, \$5,000; British-American, \$5,000. Total, \$52,500.

On the contents—Scottish Union & National, \$5,000; Queen, \$5,000; Manchester, \$1,000. Total, \$11,000. Grand total, \$63,500.

Petition Dismissed.

The petition against C. A. McCool, Liberal, Nipissing, by J. B. Klock, Conservative, who claimed the seat, was dismissed to-day in Toronto with costs.

Unsoliderly Conduct.

A letter received at the militia department from a North Bruce town states that a soldier, who had been in the Halifax garrison, has continued to wear his uniform there and has alleged that the food he got at Halifax was hay, bran and sawdust. It is further alleged that this cry was used against the government candidate in the North Bruce election. It is pointed out here, in refutation of the food charge, that the regulations require a daily issue of meat, bread or biscuit, sugar, salt, potatoes, barley, coffee, tea, pepper and cheese to the members of the garrison. The letter also alleged that the soldier in question, attired in uniform, led a political procession and has been in several altercations, also having once been fined before a magistrate.

Another Petition.

Mr. Halliday, Conservative, North Bruce, introduced to-day in the House a petition against the return of Mr. McCool, Liberal, in Nipissing, dismissed to-day in Toronto.

Stone Instead of Steel.

Judgment was given in the Exchequer court to-day for about \$99,900 against the Bursland Lithographic Company on behalf of the government. This was for stamps printed from stone, when they should have been from steel.

For the Commission.

In the supplementary estimates brought down to-day, there is \$10,000 for Vancouver drill hall \$10,000 for Westminster public building, \$11,170 to H. A. Munn for Yukon supplies, \$4,000 for the Chinese commission, and \$125,000 for Quesnelle-Atlin line.

WHOLESALE ARRESTS.

(Associated Press.)
London, April 9.—According to a dispatch to the Daily News from Odessa there have been 1,500 arrests there during the last few days.

SWEPT AWAY BY ICE.

(Associated Press.)
Fredericton, N. B., April 9.—The railway bridge was badly damaged and several warehouses were carried away by ice in the river yesterday.

GRAND CHIEF IS HOPEFUL

Of Being Able to Settle Trouble on Central Railway Without a Strike.

(Associated Press.)

Cleveland, Ohio, April 9.—Grand Chief Morrissey, of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, who has just returned home from New York, said to the Associated Press correspondent to-day that owing to the failure of the heads of various labor organizations to secure a conference with Vice-President Warren, he still thought the trouble on the Central railway of New Jersey would be settled satisfactory to all concerned without a strike.

Balloting on Strike Question.

New York, April 9.—The employees of the Central railroad of New Jersey are balloting in secret to-day on the strike question, and if two-thirds vote affirmative they will leave their posts as soon as the result shall be officially declared and the approval of the national officers secured. The situation is a critical one, and hinges entirely upon the result of the remarkable election that is now in progress.

Where Strike is Favored.

Wilkesbarre, April 9.—The employees of this division of the Central railroad of New Jersey, it is said, have voted almost unanimously in favor of a strike, providing that Vice-President Warren of the road still persists in refusing the Brotherhood officials a conference. The strike will be more serious to this region than any other along the road, as it would compel the suspension of working mines which have no other outlet for their product, and would force about 12,000 miners to quit work.

Signed the Manifesto

Aguineldo Objected to a Couple of Clauses in the Document Submitted.

But After Considerable Argument He Consented to Affix His Signature.

Man. Gen. Young Thinks Bands of Natives Will Continue Fighting

(Associated Press.)

Manila, April 9.—Although the officials are uncommunicative, it is nevertheless said that Aguineldo signed the peace manifesto this morning. Chief Justice Arellano drafted the document. Aguineldo objected to two clauses therein, and considerable argument was required to overcome his objections.

Colonel Aba, the insurgent leader of Zamboanga province, with 13 officers, 85 men and 92 rifles, surrendered to Lieut. Col. Manuel C. Goodrich, commanding the marines, stationed at Olongapo, on Subig Bay. Gen. Malvar, with about 200 men and as many rifles, is expected to surrender soon at Siling, in Cavite province.

Will Not End Fighting.

New York, April 9.—Major-General S. E. Young, who has served nearly two years in the Philippines, is quoted in a Tribune special from Washington as saying in the interview:

"Even if all the leaders of the Filipinos do come in and surrender, there will remain small organized bands for some time to come which will cause trouble—some not in favor of reducing our force in the islands below the 60,000 limit. We shall need fully this number of men to maintain peace and give assurance of tranquility. Had not General Trias surrendered before the capture of Aguineldo he would no doubt have been selected as the Filipino leader and made an effort to continue the insurrection."

TERRIBLE PICTURE.

Porto Ricans Starving to Death—Petition to McKinley.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 9.—Senator Santiago Iglesias, delegate of the Federation of Labor of Porto Rico, who arrived on the steamer Ponce from San Juan, is the bearer of a petition from the workmen of Porto Rico to President McKinley. In this petition, which bears 6,000 signatures, the Porto Ricans say: "Misery with all its horrible consequences is spreading in our homes with rapidity. It has reached such an extra extreme that many workers are starving to death, while others who have not the courage to see their mothers, wives, sisters and children perish by hunger, commit suicide by drowning themselves in the rivers or hanging themselves from branches of trees."

TIN CAN COMBINE.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 9.—The Journal of Commerce announces that the American Tin Can Combine, otherwise known as the Tin Can Combine, has advanced the prices on cans about 25 per cent. It is said that old prices were relatively too low as compared with the price of tin plate, but the present advance is regarded as a liberal one.

FRENCH WILL ASSIST.

(Associated Press.)

Tripoli, April 9.—Advices from Benghazi state that the Sultan of Waddi, finding himself helpless against the rebellion now in progress, has invoked the assistance of the French, which has been promised him.

Fled During The Night

Col. Plumer's Force Has Occupied Pietersburg, Which Was Deserted by Enemy.

Has Been the Burghers' Capital Since the Evacuation of Pretoria.

Fighting Near Aberdeen, Cape Colony—Seventy-Five British Soldiers Captured.

(Associated Press.)

London, April 9.—Lord Kitchener, reporting to the war office under date of Pretoria, April 8th, says:

"Plumer has occupied Pietersburg with slight opposition. He captured two locomotives and 39 trucks."

The capture of Pietersburg is regarded here as important. The place is the terminus of the railway and has been the capital of the Boer government since the evacuation of Pretoria. The whole northern railway is now in the hands of the British. According to Kitchener's dispatch only one officer and one man were killed.

The Boers evacuated the town during the night prior to Plumer's arrival, after blowing up two trucks laden with ammunition.

Kitchener further reports the capture of 16 prisoners, 15 horses and the depot of war stores at Boshmanskop, Orange River Colony.

As an offset the commander-in-chief reports that a detachment of a hundred of the Fifth Lancers and Imperial Yeomanry were attacked by four hundred Boers to the northward of Aberdeen, Cape Colony, and that after several hours fighting, the British were surrounded and captured, with the exception of 25 who succeeded in making their escape.

RUSSIANS RETURNING.

Officers of the Squadron to Be Received by President Loubet.

(Associated Press.)

Nice, April 9.—President Loubet has been officially notified that the officers of the Russian squadron, which was at Toulon last week, are returning to Nice. They will land this morning at Ville Franche, and will be received by President Loubet this evening. Mr. Loubet will give a dinner in their honor.

To Welcome the Officers.

Nice, April 9.—President Loubet, accompanied by the French ministers and other officials, placed a crown of flowers upon Gambetta's tomb this morning. He expressed the hope that the French parliament would soon vote to transfer the remains to the Pantheon. It is hoped that this transfer may be accomplished by July 14th next, the French national holiday.

The news that the Russian squadron is grive at Ville Franche has aroused great enthusiasm. Crowds have gone there to welcome the Russians.

SEARCHING FOR EX-PUGILIST.

Believed to Be Implicated in the Death of a Telegraph Operator.

(Associated Press.)

Cincinnati, Ohio, April 9.—The police are looking for ex-pugilist Mike Conley, who is wanted on a charge of being implicated in the murder of Charles D. Gilder, a telegraph operator, who died on Sunday afternoon from injuries received in a saloon brawl early Sunday morning. Conley was the door keeper of the place. The police refuse to say what information they have to connect Conley with the affair. Mike Conley or "The Ithica Giant," as he was known throughout the country, was the sparring partner at different times of both Corbett and Fitzsimmons.

SIX BODIES IN MINE.

Remains of All Whites and Japanese Removed From No. 6 Shaft, Cumberland.

(Special to the Times.)

Cumberland, April 9.—The remains of the last whites and Japanese were brought out of the mines yesterday afternoon. The body of Geo. Walker was found under a small cave near where Allison was found. Men had been passing right over the body for several days. The True Blues took charge of the funeral, Rev. Mr. Dadds officiating. The last Jap was buried at 5 o'clock. The remains of six Chinamen still remain below.

CZAR MAY ABDICATE.

(Associated Press.)

London, April 9.—The health of Emperor Nicholas has been shaken by the recent commotion, says the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Express, and he will probably abdicate if the next child of the Empress should be a daughter.

TO VISIT EMPRESS FREDERICK.

(Associated Press.)

Copenhagen, April 9.—Queen Alexandra and the Dowager Queen left Copenhagen this morning. Queen Alexandra will go to Cronberg to visit Empress Frederick, and the Dowager Queen will proceed to St. Petersburg.



Campbell's Prescription Store

We keep the largest stock of Drugs and Toilet Articles in the province.

Prescriptions promptly and carefully executed.

Preparing To Move

The Chinese Court May Be Removed to the Province of Ho Nan

Prince Ching Thinks That Many Natives Will Rise to Protect Dynasty.

London, April 9.—In a dispatch to the Times from Peking, dated Sunday, Dr. Morrison, commenting upon the blow to Russian prestige in China resulting from the check to Russian ambitions regarding Manchuria, says: "This blow is all the more severe because J. Pan, whom Russians have affected to treat with the utmost contempt, has had the greatest share in dealing it."

There is little doubt that Russia will renew the struggle in some shape. It is remarkable the outburst of popular feeling which has thus enabled China to withstand Russia. All the appeals against the convention concerning Manchuria were addressed to the Emperor. It is therefore difficult to believe that the Emperor Dowager has not been affected by the defeat of the policy of which her henchman, Li Hung Chang, is the sturdiest exponent.

The Emperor has summoned the president of the board of revenue from Peking to prepare for the removal of the court. Probably this only means a removal to Kai Fong Tu, the province of Ho Nan, which would bring the court into closer contact with the Yanzu viceroys.

The Boxer Movement. Shanghai, April 8.—Yu Ying Ling, governor of Hu Pei province, has been appointed governor of Kwang Si province, in succession of Huang Hui Sen, who has been ordered to resign. This is interpreted to indicate that the reactionists of Sian Fu intend to introduce the Boxer movement in the southern provinces.

Ching's Opinion. Peking, April 8.—Prince Ching thinks the rebellion is a storm in a teacup. He says the present court is loved and respected by nine-tenths of the population of China, and the same proportion of able-bodied men in China would rise in their manhood to protect the existing dynasty. The Emperor Dowager, as the adviser of the Emperor, holds a place in the affections of the people not dreamt of, and not understood, by foreigners. Her wish is by no means the firerhead of the foreign powers suppose. But the Emperor recognizes her ability in valuable aid and advice.

The remaining bodies of Americans were shipped homeward this morning. They number 54, and will leave on board the transport Ebert tomorrow.

According to expert opinion, China would be able to pay from £20,000,000 to £30,000,000 sterling as indemnity without crippling her financial resources, while the amounts which the powers at present demand aggregate from £80,000,000 to £100,000,000.

LIFE'S A BURDEN—If the stomach is not right, is there nausea? Is the digestion light-headed? Do you have sick headache? Any and all of these denote Stomach and Liver Disorder. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery quickly and will cure most stubborn and chronic cases. 40¢ in a bottle for 10¢ each. Sold by Dean & Hancock and Hall & Co.—77.

During the evening the "Belle of New York" was performed before an audience of 1,800 people, and had the first broken out a few hours earlier, serious consequences must have followed.

At first the flames seemed to be under control, but quickly spread to the Russell house. The guests were hurried out into the streets quickly and under difficulties, as the electric wires were burned off and the hotel was in darkness.

The fire burned fiercely and the firemen had a desperate fight to prevent it eating its way through to the hotel and office of the Free Press. The burning buildings were surrounded on all sides by streams of water, which were directed from adjoining roofs. To guard against any disaster, however, the guests of the hotel have moved their belongings, which are being stored in shops in the vicinity.

After a hard struggle the firemen succeeded in preventing the loss of the hotel.

STEELE TRUST'S STAND. Chicago, April 8.—The Post to-day says: "For the first time the United States Steel Corporation has indicated its position in the marine engineers' strike to-day by a curt intimation to the Marine Engineers' Benevolent Association, that it would not consider any demands presented on behalf of the strikers. It stated that its boats be taken out of the Lake Carriers' Association. If the employees of the steel corporation desire to take up any grievances they would be respectfully received and the grievances taken under consideration. The right of the Engineers' Union to say whether boats belonging to the steel trust should be enrolled in the Lake Carriers' Association or not was finally dismissed."

BOUND FOR OTTAWA.

Delegates From Kootenay Have Reached Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, April 8.—The C. P. R. express from the West to-day had a special sleeper attached to it filled with some of the leading men of Kootenay, who are en route to Ottawa to lay before the Dominion government the requirements of the mining industry of British Columbia. The party comprises the following: Kaslo—G. O. Buchanan, Mayor G. A. Carlson, A. W. Goodenough, Ald. F. E. Archer, Ald. W. Vidler Payworth, Geo. Alexander, W. Hastie Adams and W. W. Beaton. Sandon—David Hoop, Geo. F. Ransom, M. L. Gimmer and C. Cliffe. Rossland—M. S. Logan and A. B. Clabon. Grand Forks—Fred Clark and J. W. Jones. Greenwood—J. W. H. Smythe. Fernie—Harry Bentley, C. P. Plummer Hill and G. Henderson. Fort Steele—Dr. Hugh Watt, Nelson—S. S. Taylor, K. C. S. S. Fowler, H. E. Crossdale and J. Roderick Robertson.

According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Hillarum, Mr. Kruger, who has just arrived there, has expressed an intention to go to the United States in June and visit Washington, Boston and Chicago.

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A small party of Boers has recaptured Philippstown, in Cape Colony.

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"It is declared in Transvaal quarters in this city," says the Capetown correspondent of the Morning Post, "that Gen. Botha will shortly renew peace negotiations."

A Warning. Capetown, April 8.—It is understood that the Gazette tomorrow will warn colonists that acts of rebellion after April 12th will not be tried under the special law of the Transvaal, but by the old common law under which rebels are punishable with death or any terms of imprisonment the court may desire to impose.

PROPOSED COMBINES. The New Transcontinental System—To Control Zinc—Consolidated Gas Company.

New York, April 8.—The Mail and Express says: "From people close to Morgan, James J. Hill and J. Pierpont Morgan, it is learned to-day that there is ground for the story that a new corporation is being considered for the purpose of carrying a controlling interest in the stocks of the largest railway companies, which some have styled the 'new transcontinental system. This new corporation, if formed, would hold shares of the Northern Pacific, Burlington, Erie, and possibly the St. Paul and Great Northern. It is not yet settled whether the debentures of the new company would be issued against the underlying securities, but this is not considered likely. This is the method pursued in the case of the railway securities company, which was organized by the Harriman people for the purpose of handling the Illinois Central. In connection with a plan to change the charter of the St. Paul road so as to permit a majority of the stocks instead of two-thirds, to increase the capital, some new points of interest were brought out. It was alleged in the application that James J. Hill and associates had made a traffic deal between the Northern Pacific and Burlington, which diverted a large amount of business to the Burlington, which formerly went over the St. Paul road, and it was alleged that unusual discrimination is being practised under the new regime against the St. Paul company. It is claimed that Mr. Hill and his associates have a large block of St. Paul stock, and seek to control it."

To Control Zinc. St. Louis, April 8.—The Post dispatch says: "John Arthur Rice, said to be a representative for J. P. Morgan, has left for the East, after a visit here for the purpose it is said of furthering a deal involving the purchase by a syndicate said to be headed by Mr. Morgan, of the entire output of the spelter, or pig zinc, of the Missouri-Kansas district, which produces seven-eighths of the zinc in the entire country."

Another Proposed Combine. New York, April 8.—Emerson MacMillan, who was one of the stockholders of the East River Gas Co. which is now a part of the Consolidated Gas Co., said to-day that he was making arrangements to consolidate a number of gas, light, traction and water power companies throughout the United States and Canada. The companies under consideration include the Detroit Gas Co., Birmingham Gas Works, Columbus, Ohio; Edison Co.; the Grand Rapids, Mich. Gas Co.; the Laclede Gas Co. of St. Louis; the Consolidated Gas Co. of Long Branch; the Madison, Wis. Gas & Electric Co.; the St. Joseph, Mo. Gas Co.; the St. Paul, Minn. Gas Light Co.; Western Milwaukee Gas Co.; the Denver Gas & Electric Light Co.; the Southern Light & Traction Co. of San Antonio, Tex.; Montgomery, Ala. Light & Power Co.; the Jacques Cartier Water Power Co. of Quebec, and the Winnipeg Traction Co. of Oshkosh. The combined capital of these corporations is said to be about \$35,000,000.

Independent Operators Meet. Pittsburg, April 8.—A conference was held here to-day by the independent traction operators for the purpose of formulating a combine of all these plants with a capitalization of \$12,000,000. While no definite information could be obtained in regard to the action taken, it is said the combine will undoubtedly go through in

Rumors That Botha Will Make Another Attempt to Secure Peace.

Pretoria Correspondent Says the Boers Will Fight to a Finish.

London, April 8.—Lord Kitchener has informed the war office that eight volunteer companies, raised by Kitchener, coming home, and that arrangements are in progress for the speedy relief of further companies. He thus appears to be endeavoring to assist the British by fresh troops be sent to the front to replace the stale men.

The Pretoria correspondent of the Morning Post, who warns his countrymen against hoping for an early termination of hostilities, or crediting the stories that the Boers are tired of the war, says: "It becomes daily more evident that the Boers intend to fight to a finish. Many are surrendering, but they are men of no standing. The real fighting men are still in command, and though the recently successful British operations tend to bring the end nearer, it is evident that the Boers cannot be completely crushed before a general surrender is probable."

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A Warning. Capetown, April 8.—It is understood that the Gazette tomorrow will warn colonists that acts of rebellion after April 12th will not be tried under the special law of the Transvaal, but by the old common law under which rebels are punishable with death or any terms of imprisonment the court may desire to impose.

PROPOSED COMBINES. The New Transcontinental System—To Control Zinc—Consolidated Gas Company.

New York, April 8.—The Mail and Express says: "From people close to Morgan, James J. Hill and J. Pierpont Morgan, it is learned to-day that there is ground for the story that a new corporation is being considered for the purpose of carrying a controlling interest in the stocks of the largest railway companies, which some have styled the 'new transcontinental system. This new corporation, if formed, would hold shares of the Northern Pacific, Burlington, Erie, and possibly the St. Paul and Great Northern. It is not yet settled whether the debentures of the new company would be issued against the underlying securities, but this is not considered likely. This is the method pursued in the case of the railway securities company, which was organized by the Harriman people for the purpose of handling the Illinois Central. In connection with a plan to change the charter of the St. Paul road so as to permit a majority of the stocks instead of two-thirds, to increase the capital, some new points of interest were brought out. It was alleged in the application that James J. Hill and associates had made a traffic deal between the Northern Pacific and Burlington, which diverted a large amount of business to the Burlington, which formerly went over the St. Paul road, and it was alleged that unusual discrimination is being practised under the new regime against the St. Paul company. It is claimed that Mr. Hill and his associates have a large block of St. Paul stock, and seek to control it."

To Control Zinc. St. Louis, April 8.—The Post dispatch says: "John Arthur Rice, said to be a representative for J. P. Morgan, has left for the East, after a visit here for the purpose it is said of furthering a deal involving the purchase by a syndicate said to be headed by Mr. Morgan, of the entire output of the spelter, or pig zinc, of the Missouri-Kansas district, which produces seven-eighths of the zinc in the entire country."

Another Proposed Combine. New York, April 8.—Emerson MacMillan, who was one of the stockholders of the East River Gas Co. which is now a part of the Consolidated Gas Co., said to-day that he was making arrangements to consolidate a number of gas, light, traction and water power companies throughout the United States and Canada. The companies under consideration include the Detroit Gas Co., Birmingham Gas Works, Columbus, Ohio; Edison Co.; the Grand Rapids, Mich. Gas Co.; the Laclede Gas Co. of St. Louis; the Consolidated Gas Co. of Long Branch; the Madison, Wis. Gas & Electric Co.; the St. Joseph, Mo. Gas Co.; the St. Paul, Minn. Gas Light Co.; Western Milwaukee Gas Co.; the Denver Gas & Electric Light Co.; the Southern Light & Traction Co. of San Antonio, Tex.; Montgomery, Ala. Light & Power Co.; the Jacques Cartier Water Power Co. of Quebec, and the Winnipeg Traction Co. of Oshkosh. The combined capital of these corporations is said to be about \$35,000,000.

Independent Operators Meet. Pittsburg, April 8.—A conference was held here to-day by the independent traction operators for the purpose of formulating a combine of all these plants with a capitalization of \$12,000,000. While no definite information could be obtained in regard to the action taken, it is said the combine will undoubtedly go through in

a short time. Satisfactory progress has been made in the venture and nearly all the plants wanted for the new company have been optioned by the promoters.

AFTER NINE YEARS.

New York, April 8.—Miss Ada I. Griffiths, Newark, who crossing the ocean in the Steieler, nine years ago, threw overboard a bottle containing a message to the late W. W. Byington, a lawyer in Newark. On the back of the message she wrote that \$2 toward would be paid to the finder if the message was sent to its destination.

The bottle was thrown overboard in the middle of the ocean. Miss Griffiths on April 4th received a letter with a foreign postmark. It was from Ada E. Bottker, of Kristiansund, North Norway, and dated March 22nd. The note says that the bottle had been picked up by a poor Norwegian fisherman off the coast of Smolten, an island, and brought to Kristiansund, and that an English woman in the town had translated the message, but could not decipher the date. She asked that the reward be sent to her for the fisherman, who was poor and deserving. Miss Griffiths decided to send \$5 for the finder.

KILLED HIS WIFE. Manchester, N. H., April 8.—Orlando H. Hunter killed his wife to-day at the Manchester garment works. He shot the woman and immediately fled. She was employed for years as a watchman by the works.

NEW ORGANIZATION. Meeting Held in Interest of Outlook Club Last Evening.

A public meeting was held in the interests of the Outlook Club last evening at the rooms of the club at the corner of Pandora and Broad streets. There was a large attendance and the platform was occupied by: Rev. E. S. Rowe, Rev. W. L. Clay, U. S. Consul A. E. Smith, H. D. Holman, M. P. P., and A. E. McPhillips, M. P. P., Col. Gregory and others. Hon. J. H. Turner, Hon. J. D. Brewster and R. L. Drury sent communications regretting their inability to be present.

The meeting was opened by an introductory speech by His Worship, Mayor Hayward, after which the Rev. E. S. Rowe addressed the meeting, outlining the objects of the club. He stated that any male over 15 years of age and of good moral character could become a member of the club. He also said that it was the intention of the management of the club to have a thoroughly up to date gymnasium, bowling alley, reading room, and smoking room. It was also proposed to hold public entertainments and to have classes for technical instruction.

C. S. Ward, field secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who had been requested to remain in the city for the purpose of giving an address last evening, was then introduced, and gave a very interesting speech outlining the work of the Y. M. C. A., of which association, he said, he hoped the Outlook Club would soon become a full-fledged branch.

Col. Gregory said that the work in similar institutions had not been conducted correctly in the past. He said that religion should be kept out, but that ministers could work among the members and by their influence lead them to religion. He thought it was a mistake to have all the members of the executive members of the Methodist church.

Rev. Mr. Rowe then stated that the present officers were only elected for a term, and that it was the intention of the club to have a start.

W. M. Oatis, travelling secretary of the Y. M. C. A., then gave one of his characteristic addresses. He said that although there was no Y. M. C. A. in the city at the present time the Outlook Club would carry on the work of the association.

He also told of various experiences of representatives of the Y. M. C. A. in South Africa.

Col. Gregory then made an explanation to the effect that what he had previously said was not intended to reflect on the work of the Y. M. C. A. in this city in any way.

Those wishing to join the association then signed cards to that effect, and the meeting broke up.

The speeches of the evening were interspersed with several selections.

The solo "I Fear No foe," was sung by G. H. Hicks in his usual pleasing manner, while Mrs. Staneland sang "Arton Water." Miss L. L. Armstrong also sang, as well as Mrs. Oatts, who gave two delightful solos.

A bridegroom has narrowly escaped matrimony at Witham, near Ipswich, Eng. While waiting with his blooming bride for the train that should take them to the altar, an old lover of the lady's arrived from London, and here he saw with him, after a hurried conversation, the bridegroom was left standing alone on the platform, and does not appear to have offered any opposition, though he is said to have invested £100 in business for the train who shall not now be one. A sympathetic bystander remarked, "Some men are lucky!" and the bridegroom smiled again.

ROYAL MEDIUMS. Cassell's Magazine for November includes an illustrated chat, by Mr. Raymond Blatway, with Mr. Alfred Capper, the thought-reader, who tells some of his experiences with royalties as mediums. "The Prince of Wales was left standing when I experimented with him in the garden at Marlborough House, though the humor of the situation at first prevented his entering seriously into the spirit of the thing. When, however, I suggested that concentration was necessary, he promptly placed his eyes down, and I immediately followed his thoughts by plucking a flower and presenting it, blindfolded, to a lady, who turned out to be the Princess of Wales, which was exactly what H. R. H. intended I should do. When I appeared at Windsor Castle it was in honor of little Prince Alexander of Battenberg's birthday, and accordingly I tried to adapt my programme to the taste of so young a child. I then introduced an experiment dealing with a Mr. Foster, who pretended to have supernatural power, and my aim was to show that the same feat could be performed by natural means. I asked the little Prince to write down the name of some public character, and to take good care that I didn't see what he was writing. Having complied with my request, he folded this piece of paper up and himself returned it. He fixed his eyes on mine, as it is necessary, and I told him that the first letter of the Christian name was a W. "Quite correct," he replied. I then asked him to think if the gentleman was married or not. "No, I am certain he is not," was the immediate reply, and he repeated in this statement; and it was very amusing to the delight of the audience when I wrote down on the blackboard "William Harcourt." "Correct," said the little Prince amidst great laughter from the Royalties present, who, of course, must all have been well acquainted with Lady Harcourt. It was all the more amusing because the Prince

goes to school close to the squire of Malwood's beautiful park in the New Forest. Then in my subsequent thought-reading entertainment, Lady Bigge "murdered" little Princess Ena of Battenberg, dragging her by her long hair to the grand piano in the beautiful red drawing-room, beneath which she cast the body. I managed successfully to get the Princess thinking, to do the thing, by Lady Bigge's words, and none seemed the worse for this awful tragedy at Windsor Castle."

DRINK IN SOUTH AFRICA. But all the wrongs in regard to natives and their labor in the Transvaal none come near to the scandalous liquor trade. The laws restraining it are excellent on paper, but their administration is infamous. They prohibit the sale to natives; but they are broken wholesale. The profits are enormous; the inexperienced natives, who are getting drunk is a novelty, something too grand to be resisted. The government sells drink licenses, and all nationalities are more or less engaged in the illicit traffic. There have been some 150,000 natives in the mines, earning, say, £40 or £50 a year in wages. Their temptation to expending their earnings on spirits is a novelty, something too grand to be resisted. The government sells drink licenses, and all nationalities are more or less engaged in the illicit traffic. There have been some 150,000 natives in the mines, earning, say, £40 or £50 a year in wages. 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SOUTH AFRICA.

Another capital of the enemy in South Africa has been captured and the British are within about sixty miles of the place, Zoutpan, the occupation of which Kruger said would probably mean the end of the Boer opposition. Predictions that the end was in sight have been made so often now with regard to this pesky war that even such a statement from the former president of the Transvaal will be received with a certain amount of reserve. The end may come unexpectedly as regards all but the elements over which Dewet exercises control. This Boer general has placed himself in the category of a bandit, and he will no doubt play the part of a desperado until he is removed either by the British or some of his own countrymen who desire to be allowed to go their way in peace.

Zoutpan is within sixty miles of the Transvaal northern border. It is the last place of refuge to which the "government" of the insurgents can flee. All the railways and rolling stock, and the bulk of the ammunition probably, are now in the hands of the British. All possible avenues of replenishment have been closed. Rations must be nearly as short as supplies of other descriptions. Of what avail to continue such a hopeless struggle? The terms offered were most honorable, and generous to a degree of which there is no record in the dealings of other nations with belligerents of the same class. The Boers were the offenders and assumed the offensive with a precipitancy which astonished all familiar with the resources of the parties to the dispute. The leaders of the invading forces do not deny now that their object was to drive the British out of South Africa and establish a great republic there. If they had succeeded in their designs, the recompense of the people who proved loyal to the British cause would have been somewhat different from five million dollars to restore property that had been destroyed, confiscation and expulsion, and possibly slaughter, would have been fashionable. There would have been only one language taught in the schools, and that would certainly not have been English. The establishment of representative government would never have been granted except by force.

The Anglo-Saxon in South Africa, and with him there is no turning back. When he plants his foot in a place he usually keeps it there. Wherever he goes he increases and multiplies. We believe the history of the world bears out these statements. Therefore, much as the war that is nearly at an end is to be deplored, it had to be waged some time. The longer it was postponed the more deadly and destructive it would have been. The experience of the Boers, because of the leniency of the treatment which had been meted out to them for repeated offences against humanity and civilization, had not been such as to create in them the horror of war entertained at the present day by men in a more advanced state of civilization. They have been taught a lesson, and, hard though it may

seem to say it, they needed such a lesson. It is probably just as well for the future peace of the world that at this time that lesson should be thoroughly learned. Generous treatment, good government and the dominant Anglo-Saxondom which a new regime will produce in South Africa will make war there in the future as remote a possibility as it is in Canada at the present time.

RUSSIA IN MANCHURIA.

In certain sections of the United States the action of Russia in taking possession of Manchuria has been justified by and likened to the manner in which Egypt passed into the hands of Great Britain. There is the difference that Russia took advantage of the unfortunate disturbances in China which the powers were trying to suppress to enter upon a war of conquest on her own account. There was nothing to suppress in Manchuria except the uprising which the presence of the invaders created. Great Britain and France occupied Egypt for a benign purpose, and their occupation was justified by the results which followed. France withdrew voluntarily for the reason that she was put to an expense for which there was no adequate financial return. Great Britain has held to her purpose with characteristic tenacity, and even her bitterest enemies will not assert that her influence in Egypt has not been for the good of the downtrodden and the oppressed there. Her withdrawal would be nothing short of the greatest calamity that has overtaken that ancient country since the days of the plagues. On the other hand, there are few prepared to maintain that the government of China is not quite as benevolent in its purposes as that of the Tsar, or rather of the advisers of the Tsar. Probably if the Sultans were ruled with such a firm hand as makes rebellion practically impossible the conditions in Russia to-day would be worse than they were in China a few months ago. A change of rulers in Manchuria will be of no particular benefit to humanity, and that is where the cases of the province of Asia and the country in Africa do not run parallel in any respect.

That Russia will maintain her position treaty or no treaty is quite probable. It is considerable of a task to thrust an army out of a country once it is firmly established there. No nation is likely to undertake such a job in face of asseverations that withdrawal will take place at the proper time—the party in possession being of course the judge of the time. The Japs may rave and Americans clamor for the "open door," but none of these things will undo the work of Li Hung Chang and the crafty counselors of the Tsar.

WORKING IN THE LOBBIES.

The Toronto Globe sighs for some Carrie Nation to descend upon Ottawa and cut down the lobbyists to the last man. The Dominion Parliament is evidently not so easily "worked" as that of British Columbia. One company seems to control the House here. When it says "Don't grant that charter until I give the word that the interests of the country are safe," a sufficient number of the members for its purpose are speechless and helpless. It has issued a decree to the effect that the Crown's Nest Southern Railway company has agreed to accept its terms and the members of the British Columbia Legislature have virtually been informed that they may proceed with the business which the people elected them to transact. The railway company perceives that its autocratic attitude has aroused public opinion against it to a dangerous point, and it has instructed one of its servants in the House to incorporate a farcical clause in the bill purporting to bind the Crown's Nest company to give the Canadian smelters the precedence in supplies of coal and coke. Even the legislature is compelled to justify the actions of the C. P. R. The former attitude of the valiant patriot would have made it ridiculous if it had withdrawn without some sort of explanation.

WEBSTER'S ONLY POEM.

It is said that in his whole literary life Daniel Webster wrote but one poem, and that was upon the death of his infant son. This child was born in Boston, Dec. 31, 1822, and died in December, 1824. The poem bears the title, "Lines on Charles's Death." My son, thou wast my heart's delight; Thy morn of life was gay and cheery; That morn has rushed to sudden night; Thy father's house is sad and dreary. I held thee on my knee, my son, And kissed thee laughing, ailed thee weeping; But ah! thy little life is done; Thou'rt with thy angel sister sleeping. The staff on which my years should lean Is broken ere thou years came o'er me, My funeral rites thou shouldst have seen, But thou art in the grave before me. Thou'rt raised to me no silent stone, No parent's grave with tears bedewed; Thou art the ancestor, my son, And standest in heaven's account the oldest.

EDUCATIONAL TEST.

The superintendent of schools of Spokane, Wash., desirous of testing the powers of composition existing in a class of 8-year-olds, requested that three sentences be written—each to contain one of the three words "boas," "boys" and "bear." And a small girl laboriously concocted the following sentence: "Boys boas bare when they go in swimming."

In answer to the sneering remarks of some American papers ament the work of British generals and sarcastic inquiries as to how much John Bull would give for the loan of a man with the genius of Fanaton, the capturer of the valiant Aguinaldo, we take the liberty of printing the following remarks of a Canadian correspondent, Mr. John A. Ewan, who was at the battle of Santiago, and also represented the Toronto Globe for a time in South Africa:

"The old days of waiting until you saw the whites of their eyes has gone, no more can a correspondent take up his post on a rising ground, a few hundred yards from the actual bury and impact of battle, and see the bloody drama enacted right under his eyes. I had—shall I say, the good fortune—to see what was probably the last battle of that kind which will ever be fought by civilized foes. The battle of Santiago was simply a bull-headed frontal attack on an entrenched position, which was carried at great loss and with such expenditure of vitality that the capturers were unable to pursue their advantage. At that battle the Spanish troops were able to trace the gradual approach of the American troops through the chapparals to the Spanish lines, the murderous execution of the Spanish artilleryists, the emergence of the American troops into the open, and the final wild rush of disordered and maddened men on the trenches, the flight of the straw-hatted, cotton-clothed Spanish troops, and the plauding of Old Glory on the hill of San Juan. It is true that both forces were armed with modern repeating rifles, but the poor Dons were so killed and ill-fated that they had no stomach for the fight when the final rush came. I should not have liked to see such a numerically weak attack attempted on trenches lined with Mr. Christian Dewet's slouch-hatted, bushy-whiskered Weary Willies. It would just have been attempted once."

In some of the provinces of Canada other problems than those of transportation engage the attention of governments. The February report of the Ontario Provincial Board of Health shows that 2,484 deaths were reported, as against 1,962 for the corresponding month last year, although last month only 90 per cent. of the population reported, while 97 per cent. reported in 1900. There was a large increase in the deaths from consumption, the figures being 238, as against 186 in February, 1900. The comparative table of deaths from contagious diseases is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Disease, 1900, 1901. Rows include: Scarletina (21, 14), Diphtheria (40, 39), Measles (2, 3), Whooping Cough (8, 7), Typhoid (24, 11), Tuberculosis (238, 186).

The smallpox report up to March 25th shows 124 cases in the province. In twelve districts the disease has been completely checked.

THE TRADE OF CANADA.

Commercial, London. Some countries may complain of bad business, tight money, freight cutting, and the rest of it, but in that lot of maledictions Canada is not to be included. At present she is almost glowing over a budget statement which certainly paints her commercial achievements in the past and her hopes and expectations for the future in colors the most glowing. And with a total trade increased in five years from \$224,000,000 to \$381,000,000, with exports risen in the same period from \$103,000,000 to \$170,000,000, and a domestic bank balance enhanced by 52 per cent., who shall say that Canada has not some right to be a little cock-a-boop! that her public men are cautious persons who realize as fully as anybody else that the tide of prosperity is at the flood just now, and that an ebb is the inevitable sequence to a flow in events fiscal as well as natural. The Canadian finance minister, Mr. Fielding, does not count, and admits that he does not, upon a continuance of prosperity at quite the present rate. But he does look forward, and doubtless the Canadian people behind him do the same, to a reasonable degree of financial progress in the future. And in so doing he does not precipitate a financial crisis of the nature most gravely. Finally, besides being a capitalist and a banker of this magnitude, the Russian state is also a metallurgist and a spirit merchant. In a word, the proud claim to make for it that it is the greatest land owner, the greatest capitalist, the greatest constructor of railways, and carries on the largest business in the world. From "Russia of To-Day," by Henry Norman, in Scribner's.

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LAURENCE'S TOLERANCE. R. Holmes, M. P., in Toronto Globe. Someone asked Sir Wilfrid Laurier how it came that he, being a Roman Catholic, was so broad in his views and tendencies towards others. His answer was in effect as follows: "Up to the age of eighteen I could speak nothing but French, and I hired out with a Scotch farmer in order to learn English. Every morning this good man held family worship, and the different members in the household read in turn a verse of the Bible. In the course of time I was invited to remain with the family while the morning service was held, and I had every opportunity of judging of the sterling and consistent character of that good farmer and his family, and I must admit that the impressions I there received have undoubtedly influenced me more than I know."

With regard to this, Dr. Williams writes: "I believe the vital parts of the story are correct, though I never heard Sir Wilfrid state them as the reasons for his well known liberal views in regard to Protestantism. What I wish to correct is contained in the words, 'I hired out with a Scotch farmer in order to learn English.' The gentleman to whom this refers was the late John Murray, of New Glasgow, N.S., who had a general store and who entertained Sir Wilfrid at his home as the son of an intimate friend, not as a hired man, that he might acquire a knowledge of English as stated in the second error I wish to correct is that Sir Wilfrid was not by me as an authority, which, from the statement I make above, could not be accurate. Sir Wilfrid's father and Mr. Murray were intimate friends, and I have frequently heard Mr. Murray speak in the highest terms of Sir Wilfrid, for whom the family entertained the highest respect. As I have no doubt but the rest of the anecdote is correct, as it was given me on good authority. Were I not made personally responsible for the two statements which I have corrected I would not have troubled you with this communication. (Signed) F. G. Williams."

RUSSIA'S ENORMOUS BUSINESS. "The Russian state is by far the greatest economic unit on the face of the globe." To ninety-nine readers out of a hundred, this statement will doubtless be startling. It certainly was to me, when I first met with it, yet the facts to justify it are not hard to seek. The Russian state draws an annual net profit of 45,000,000 roubles from its forests, mines and agricultural property. It receives annually 80,000,000 roubles from its communities of ex-serfs for the use of land it ceded to them, and for the most part it is building by far the longest and most costly railway in the world, and it owns and works over 20,000 miles of railways, the net revenue of which is equal to one-seventh of the net revenue of all the railways of the United States. In 1898 it received 150,000,000 into its coffers, nearly one-half of which was not produced by taxation. Its budget is greater than that of France by more than \$200,000,000. In 1890, when one of the banks in London was unable to meet its obligations, the Russian government lent it with its current account a balance of so many millions of pounds that when the Bank of England came to the rescue a request was immediately made to Russia not to dispose of her balance before a certain date, since to do so would be to precipitate a financial crisis of the nature most gravely. Finally, besides being a capitalist and a banker of this magnitude, the Russian state is also a metallurgist and a spirit merchant. In a word, the proud claim to make for it that it is the greatest land owner, the greatest capitalist, the greatest constructor of railways, and carries on the largest business in the world. From "Russia of To-Day," by Henry Norman, in Scribner's.

Among the crew of the Ophir the Duke of Cornwall and York will have not only several well known service athletes, but also the strongest man in the navy. This is Sergeant Drumboe, Royal Marine Artillery, who stands about 6 feet, and has attained wide notoriety by his feats of strength.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.
Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 9-5 a. m.—A vast area of high barometer overlies the entire western portion of the continent and extends from the Pacific ocean to the province of Ontario. Winds are light, and the weather is mostly fair at all stations; light frosts are reported from California, Oregon and Washington, with the exception of occasional light snowfall in the Territories, no precipitation has fallen during the last 24 hours.

Forecast.
For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate winds, mostly easterly, chiefly cloudy and warm, with showers to-night or Wednesday. Lower Mainland—Light or moderate easterly winds, cloudy and warm, with rain to-night or Wednesday.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, 41; minimum, 42; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
New Westminster—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles E. by S. easterly, cloudy.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, 38; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Try new White Label Blue Ribbon Tea.
The Sterling Dry Goods House has removed to 39 Government Street.
Fresh oysters daily; per gallon, \$3; qts., 75c. Apply New England Hotel.
Services will be held in the Jewish synagogue at 7 o'clock this evening, the sixth day of the Passover.
Martindale's Studio, 50 1/2 Government street. Pupils' exhibition of work Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 2.30 to 6, 7.30 to 9 p. m. All interested in art invited.
Capt. Casement, of H.M.S. Amphion, has notified the police that five of the crewmen of that ship have not returned at the expiration of shore leave, the men coming ashore on Sunday. The reward of £1 is offered for the return of each of them.
Skene Lowe, the Government street artist, has recently added a very interesting collection of photographs to his show case display. They are all excellent specimens of the photographer's art, and include a number of local beauties, prominent clergymen, returned members of the contingents, as well as a considerable number of grave legislators over the Bay. Opposite these Mr. Lowe has grouped several of the champion athletic teams of the city, the members of which form capital types of the rising generation in Victoria.

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The city council will meet to-night, when a number of communications will come up for consideration.
Opposition steamer "Rosalia" sails for Seattle, daily, except Saturday, at 7.30 p. m.

In the police court this morning a drunk was fined \$2.50 and \$1 costs; a second failing to appear forfeited bail to the amount of \$10.
The death occurred to-day of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Gooby, of Alfred street. The funeral has been arranged to take place to-morrow.

D. G. S. Quadra left for Nanaimo this morning, where she will overhaul all the buoys and beacons in that locality. Afterwards she will proceed to False Creek to continue the same work.
Fred Forrest, upon two charges of theft, pleaded guilty before Mr. Justice Martin this morning, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment upon each charge, the sentences to run concurrently.

Most of the Victoria students of the Normal school, Vancouver, came home on Friday last for the purpose of spending the Easter holidays. On the whole the young people seem pleased with Vancouver. They returned yesterday.
The death occurred last evening at the Royal Jubilee hospital of John McRae. Deceased was a native of Ontario and 39 years of age. The funeral has been arranged to take place from Hanna's parlors tomorrow afternoon.

His Majesty's survey ship Egria, Capt. Smythe, left to-day for Alert Bay, where it is understood she will continue the good work she undertook last year in the way of certifying charts and making a survey of the coast. She will be absent until Friday.
A sale of work is being held by the ladies of St. James's church at the residence of Mrs. M. B. Smith, 41 Birdseye Walk, this afternoon. The fair is under the patronage of His Worship the Mayor and Mrs. Hayward, the Bishop of Columbia and Miss Perrin.

A. Stewart, having recently purchased at a sacrifice the immense stock of Thos. Bradbury, is now prepared to give bargains in monumental work never before heard of in Victoria. Intending buyers should not delay, but take advantage of this rare opportunity.
Another of the unfortunates on Darcy island has been relieved of his sufferings by death, which occurred about a week ago. He was buried by the others, of whom there are now only three. He was one of the "first lepers" sent to the island, and died from the ravages of the disease. The last death among them occurred a few months ago, and was due to pneumonia.

James Cash, the pioneer hotel-keeper of New Westminster, passed away last evening at the St. Joseph's hospital, where he has been confined for some time. Deceased was a well known resident of British Columbia, and his death will be greatly mourned by his numerous friends of the Royal City. He was a native of King's county, Ireland. He leaves a widow, one son and a daughter. The remains will be sent to New Westminster for interment by W. J. Hanna.

In the application for a writ of habeas corpus for the Chinaman Fong Yuk, which is being heard by Mr. Justice Walker, evidence was produced this morning with the object of showing that 167 Government street, of which Fong Yuk was an inmate, was a house of ill-fame. Elsie Chow, a Christian Chinawoman, said she knew it was a disreputable house, and she had herself been insulted when passing by men who frequented the place. Two other Chinawomen testified to the ill-repute of the house and of Fong Yuk.

A large number attended the organ recital at St. John's church on Sunday evening after the service. The programme was an excellent one, the various numbers being rendered in faultless style. Mrs. Janion sang to splendid advantage, "He Was Despaired," the Misses Lagrin gave a duet by Gemond, and Mrs. Moresby sang "The Perfect Life." Mr. Crane, formerly leading baritone at New College, Oxford, sang the recitative, "Thus Saith the Lord," the aria, "But Who May Abide," and "For He is Like a Refiner's Fire," from the Messiah. During the evening the organist, Mr. Longfield, played three solos, the final, "The Heavens Are Falling," being exceptionally well done, and concluding a highly successful series of recitals.

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The Charges of Forgery Against Dahl Heard in the Police Court.
The forgery charges against P. C. Dahl, who now claims that his name is A. J. Muler, with James Crow as an alias, was heard before Police Magistrate Hall this morning.

Mr. Munday identified the cheque produced in court for the sum of \$14, payable to S. F. Henderson or bearer, and signed by Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., Ltd., J. O. McWilliams, accountant. The accused in tendering the cheque said he had no money, having just been paid off by the C. P. N. Co. Accepting the cheque, he gave the man a pair of shoes worth \$5 and \$9 in cash. Going to the office of the C. P. N. Co., the information he received induced him to notify the police.

F. W. Vincent, accountant of the C. P. N. Company, testified that the cheque produced was a forgery as far as his company was concerned. The company had no account with the Royal Bank of Canada. The evidence of the maker of the rubber stamps was that the accused had got a stamp such as was used on the cheques from him the morning of the 20th. Towards noon he had got a number stamp and two pads.

Detective Perdue said that when he found the accused he refused to give his name, but afterwards admitted that Henderson was his name. He said the cheques were all right. He said that he got the cheque from a man from Nanaimo, who had given it to the accused on the C. P. N. wharf. He told the detective that he could take him to the man who had given him the cheque. When searched the accused had \$24.20 in cash, 7 cheques already filled out, drawn on the Royal Bank of Canada, all numbered and dated similar to the one produced, three other cheques drawn on banks in the United States, three new gold watches and one chain.

In answer to the police magistrate, the defendant elected to be tried by jury, and was committed for trial.
Upon similar charges, in which cheques for \$25 were passed upon A. P. Blyth and another upon A. J. Clayton, the accused was committed for trial. The remaining cases will be heard on Thursday.

Personal.
R. M. Palmer, inspector of fruit pests, leaves this evening for the Mainland to undertake the work of collecting the data in connection with the rates on the carriage of agricultural products by the railway lines.

W. H. Kessit, a mining man, who has been spending a few weeks' vacation in California, returned the other day and is at the Dominion hotel.

S. M. Mayer and Alfred Dent, of Seattle and Tacoma respectively, are in the city, guests at the Dominion hotel.

WELL KNOWN CAPTAIN DEAD.
(Associated Press.)
Winslow, Ont., April 8.—Captain Oliver Masonville, who was captain of the first railway transfer that crossed the Detroit and St. Clair rivers, died at his home, Sandwick East, yesterday, from old age and pneumonia, preceded by a stroke of apoplexy, aged 85 years. At the age of 15 he carried passengers across the Detroit river in a canoe.

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Atlantic Mysteries

Vessels Which Sailed With Passengers and Have Never Been Heard Of.

Theories Put Forward as to Causes Which Led to Destruction.

Terrible as such a disaster as befell La Bourgoyne in the Atlantic two years ago certainly is, it was not the most appalling the world's greatest ferry has claimed.

No such knowledge is, however, obtainable of many a vessel which has sailed from England or Canada with every prospect of a safe and speedy voyage across "the pond" but which never reached their destination; their only record the words, "Never heard of."

The steam service between Great Britain and the States has only been fairly inaugurated when the news came of that appalling disaster to the President, which is remembered by many who are now living.

Nothing is known of her. She had disappeared, and all on board went with her. Amongst the passengers were a son of the Duke of Richmond and a well known Canadian of the day, Mr. Tyrone Power.

Far more terrible was the fate of the City of Glasgow, one of the steamers of the old Inman Line. This vessel was the first Inman boat to trade between Glasgow and New York.

Never Again to Be Seen. She sailed from Liverpool on September 23rd, 1856, and disappeared with the two hundred and forty people who were on board.

Only five months later the steamship Tempest, of the Anchor Line, was added to the increasing list of mysterious disappearances on the Atlantic.

Strangely enough, it was an Anchor Line ship that furnished the next case of "never heard of."

It then became the turn of the Inman Line again to record the loss of one of its vessels on January 28th, 1870, with one hundred and twenty-seven passengers and crew.

A vessel called the Scandera, of the Anglo-Egyptian Line, a British organization, sailed on October 8th, 1872, and nothing was ever heard of her afterwards.

On the more the Anchor Line suffered. The Isabella, sailing on September 27th, 1873, and carrying fifty-two all told, disappeared and left no trace of the fate which had befallen her.

Hard Hit in Many Periods. Of its history. Over and above the disasters named as coming under one particular class, there was the Britannia, which was wrecked off the island of Arran early in 1873, but without loss of life.

Early in 1877 the Colombo, a Wilson Line vessel, sailed from Liverpool, carrying forty-four persons on board, and never arrived.

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This is Dr. McLaughlin's offer to Weak Men, Rheumatics, Dyspeptics, Men with Lame Backs, Weak Kidneys, Lost Vitality, Varicocele, Wasting of Vital Strength, Sciatica, Constipation, "Come and Go" Pains, and to Women with the Weaknesses Peculiar to their Sex.

Thousands of young, middle-aged and old men are suffering from want of strength and vigor, induced by a variety of causes, such as fast living, dissipation, overwork, mental anxiety, brain fog, etc.

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Are you sick? Are you in pain? Are you a Weak Man? Are you tired of doctoring and paying out money for drugs without result? Then come to me or write to me. I AM THE ONLY MAN IN THE WORLD WHO HAS CONFIDENCE ENOUGH IN HIS REMEDY TO WAIT FOR HIS PAY UNTIL YOU ARE CURED.

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SPECIAL NOTICE. If you have a belt that burns or a "no-electricity" band which has disappointed you bring it in and I will allow you half price for it.

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Ever Got Across the Atlantic. and the particulars of their fate are not exactly known.

The Erin, of the National Line, with seventy-two persons on board, was lost in 1839, nothing ever being heard of her after she left port on December 31st.

As we have seen, "never heard of" accounts for nineteen fine Atlantic steamers, carrying passengers and crew, which were lost in the Atlantic.

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THE IMPERIAL COMMONS. There have, of course, been various improvements effected in the House of Commons in the recent years.

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Mining News

Acquiring Coal Lands. Alex. Sharp, M. E. of Roseland, has been busy engaged during the past week...

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Chiu Chen Kwong, trading under the firm name of 'The Wah Wah'...

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VICTORIA CITY WATER WORKS

SEPARATE TENDERS. Will be received up to 3 p. m. on Tuesday, April 9th for the following goods...

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Mortgagee's Sale. Under instructions of Alexander Urquhart, executor of Donald Urquhart, deceased...

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W. C. WILKS, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 20th January, 1901.

TRY London Hospital Cough Cure Price, 50 cents John Cochrane, CHEMIST, N. W. Cor. Yates and Douglas Sts.

The Royal Commission

Two Witnesses Were Examined at This Morning's Session - Farmer's Standpoint. Effort Will Be Made to Conclude Sittings in Victoria To-morrow.

The Royal commission sat this morning as usual in the court house, and a couple of witnesses were examined, Canon Beauland and Edward Munn.

Canon Beauland, the first witness this morning, said that he had employed Chinese domestic servants ever since he came here, and found them clean, honest and industrious.

They were keenly interested in learning about the case, but he did not think they learned for the sake of knowledge, but more with an object of increasing their advantages for gain.

He could not see how men working among the Chinese here could learn the language sufficiently to teach them Christianity. He did not think that the presence of the Chinese here would form a central point from which Christianity would go out to them as a race.

The Chinese who came here were a servile class. Below the lowest white immigrant, the latter came to occupy a different position and did not enter into competition with the Chinese.

The British Columbia laboring class were more free in their own estimation because of their being alongside a servile class. In Europe the existence of a servile class at one time had a tendency to elevate a non-servile population.

tion tax interfered with their immigration, but it would rather influence the man who imported them. He would check them a little harder from their earnings to recoup him for his \$100. He did not think the Chinese would assimilate, and hoped that such would never be the case.

At the present state in the development of this country, he thought it to be in the interest to have a servile class here. He believed such would be the case if they continued to come in.

In reply to Commissioner Foley, he said that a white man in Victoria and Vancouver earned more than a white laborer in Tacoma and Seattle at cheap contract labor.

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Witnesses also gave the outlay regarding the conditions in New Zealand during the period he was engaged in sheep farming there.

In reply to Commissioner Foley, he said that to a certain extent an increased white population here would increase the value of land. It would certainly increase the demand for that which he produced on his land.

He would not believe that farming would ever become an extensive industry on the Island. He doubted if it was possible to clear it at a profit even with Japanese.

As to Chinese employment on municipal works, he said that in his opinion the municipal council were trustees for the taxpayers, and if they did their duty properly they would have their public enterprises carried out as cheaply as possible.

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The Rice Murder Case

Jones, the Valet, Tells of Administering Chloroform to Aged Millionaire.

He Told Lawyer House He Had Given Mercury to His Master.

New York, April 9.—In the commitment proceedings to-day in the case of Lawyer Albert T. Patrick, accused of having caused the death of Wm. Marsh Rice, the aged millionaire, in September last, Chas. Jones, the valet, under cross-examination, testified that he could not be positive that Mr. Rice was not administered chloroform by the valet.

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ERECTED A GUILLOTINE. And Cut Off His Own Head—Death Instantaneous. (Associated Press.) Chicago, April 9.—A special to the Tribune from San Jose, Cal., says: "Death resulted from a cut in the neck made by a guillotine and operated with suicidal intent, was the verdict returned here to-day by a coroner's jury unopposed to inquire into the facts surrounding the death of John Connelly, whose body was discovered in a cabin at Wright's station. Connelly had rigged up a guillotine and cut off his own head. He swung a broad axe by a rope in such a position that when he cut a cord the axe fell across his neck, which was stretched on a block of wood conveniently located. The plan worked, as death was probably instantaneous. Connelly was 57 years of age and unmarried."

NO ADVANCE IN WAGES. Lake Carriers' Association Refuses to Discuss Matters of Management. (Associated Press.) Buffalo, N. Y., April 9.—The reply given President Chier, of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, by the Lake Carriers' Association in answer to a request for a conference over the engineers' strike, has been made public. The reply is a flat refusal to discuss matters governing the management and administration of vessels controlled by the Lake Carriers' Association. The latter also says that there will be no advance in any class of wages this season.

BRITISH MISSION. Received by Emperor William at Berlin To-day. (Associated Press.) Berlin, April 9.—At the reception to-day of the British special mission to announce the death of Queen Victoria and the ascension of King Edward, Emperor William wore a British Admiral's uniform, with the Order of the Garter. After the formal ceremonies were over, His Majesty conversed affably with each member of the mission and then conducted them to an adjoining room and introduced them to the Emperor. The members of the mission are the Emperor's guests while here.

WALL STREET. (Associated Press.) New York, April 9.—There was no sign this morning of yesterday's urgent pressure to liquidate speculative profits. There was a sprinkling of losses, including some of the important stocks, but the majority rebound, running in some cases to 1 and 1/2, including Texas Pacific, Sugar, Amal, Copper, Louisville, and Burlington. The stock market opened irregular. Amal, Copper, 100; Atch, pfd, 94; Burlington, 150; B. & O., 91 1/4; B. E. T., 81 1/2; Erie, 105; Man, 127 1/2; N. Pac., 102; N. Y. C., 104 1/2; N. P., 94; R. I., 14; Reading, 13; R. 74 1/2; do, 2nd pfd, 51 1/2; St. Paul, 151 1/2; Sugar, 143; Southern, 27; Southern pfd, 78 1/2; Son. Pac., 45 1/2; Tenn. C. & I., 62 1/2; Tob., 125 1/2; U. P., 90 1/2; United States Steel (when issued), 74; do, pfd. (when issued), 74 1/2.

ANOTHER STAMPEDE. (Special to the Times.) Nantawau, April 9.—A letter received here from John McMillan, Esq., reports a riot strike of pig dirt on hillside claims there by a young Nantawau man. He quietly notified all Nantawau men in camp and they went out at night and staked everything around No. 12, where the dirt was discovered. They have started work on them, and the latest reports showed big pay. The discovery caused a great deal of excitement through the valley, which was followed by a stampede to Indian River district creeks.

CAPT. CHESTER AMUSED. (Associated Press.) San Francisco, April 9.—Among the passengers on the steamer China, from the Orient, was Capt. Chester M. Chester, United States Navy, who took the battleship Kentucky to the Asiatic station via the Suez canal. He was returning home on waiting orders, and will proceed direct to Washington. Referring to the trip of the battleship, he said: "I was amused when I heard that my ship called at Singapore to collect the claim of the United States against the Sultan of Turkey. We simply put in there to break our journey, and took the opportunity of going to Constantinople."

MYSTERIOUS MURDER. (Associated Press.) Wilkes-Barre, Pa., April 9.—Adam Rhodes, a well known man of Passons, Pa., was mysteriously murdered this morning by being stabbed in the back. He was going about with "Matt" Cooper, and had left him at the corner. Cooper says he watched Rhodes walking down the street, and when about one hundred feet separated them a man ran from the street and struck Rhodes on the back. Rhodes died in a few minutes. Besides Cooper's story there is nothing to be learned.

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NEW ATTORNEY-GENERAL. (Associated Press.) Washington, April 9.—Mr. Phillander C. Knox, of Pittsburgh, was sworn as Attorney-General this morning. The ceremony occurred in the cabinet room of the White House, Justice Shires, of the United States Supreme court, administering the oath.

WHAT THE TURK CAN DO. The Turk's language is half Arabic and half Persian, his creed is Arabian, his literature is imitative, his art Byzantine. Everything is borrowed. Nor can he do much to help himself, except plunder. He is the least adaptable of humankind. He cannot trade, he cares little for commerce or the learned professions, and succeeds hardly at all in intellectual or business pursuits. He can cultivate a garden and raise excellent pumpkins and cucumbers, and regale his friends in a summer house under his mulberry tree with the produce of his land and his flocks. But he is quite ready to move at a day's notice; he has no sentiment about his probable emigration over to Asia in the future. In fact, he is an easy-going philosopher, bred on "kismet" and "keif," always prepared to pack up his few belongings and make the best of things in a new place.—The Pilot.

A CITY OF SALT. Salt is principally supplied from three sources—the ocean, salt springs and mines. Do you know how they distill salt from spring and sea water? The brine is drawn in large quantities and placed in shallow vessels, which are exposed to either artificial heat or the sun. The heat produces evaporation, and the salt is left in masses in the bottom of the vessels. What is termed "rock-salt"—that is, salt dug out of the earth—is frequently only large salt crystals obtained from evaporation. The most famous salt mines are in Poland, Austria. They extend over a space two miles in length by one in breadth, and are about 1,000 feet in depth. The mines are entered by numerous shafts, with galleries at seven different levels, leading to a labyrinth of passages and immense excavations; in fact, it is a town under ground, with streets, churches and stables, all cut out of salt. These mines have been worked for hundreds of years, and at a former time were the source of enormous revenue to the Kings of Poland. Their annual yield at present is 70,000 tons. Sometimes this white, glittering city is lighted for a ball or a banquet, and then it is, indeed, a marvellous sight to behold, almost like a picture from the Arabian Nights. There is a lake in one cave on which boats are rowed, and it is altogether a wonderful place for sight-seeing.—Grocers' Monthly.

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DIED. HODGSON.—At the residence of her son, 1215 Richmond street, Vancouver, on April 5th, Mrs. R. W. Hodgson, aged 63 years. M'RAE.—At Royal Jubilee hospital, on the 8th April, 1901, John McEae, longshoreman, aged 39, born Victoria, B. C. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2.30, from Hanna's parlors.

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Chinese Rebellion

Prince Tuan's Father-in-Law is Taking an Important Part

Way is Clear for General Negotiations Between China and Powers.

Peking, April 9.—The Russian minister to China, M. de Giers, responding to the letter from Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang regarding Manchuria, merely refuses to hold further communication with them upon the subject. The Mongolian Prince, Olasen, father-in-law of Prince Tuan, proves to be an important factor in the rebellion now in progress. He urges the rebellious troops to march on Sian Fu.

Chinese who know Gen. Tung Fu Sian say the Emperor brought the rebellion upon his own head when he published the edict threatening the general with future punishment. On account of his present power and influence, Gen. Tung Fu Sian would not permit this, and naturally desired to prove his power. He has the entire Mohammedan population with him. Prince Tuan has a large following, while Prince Hasken controls the entire province of Mongolia.

The German minister, Dr. Mumm von Schwartzstein, entertained all the ministers at a dinner to-day in honor of the anniversary of the birth of Count von Waldersee.

Way Clear for Negotiations. Berlin, April 9.—Russia's declaration renouncing a separate agreement with China gives great satisfaction in Berlin official circles, since it removes all separate negotiations from having further influence upon the diplomatic situation at Peking and the general negotiations now proceed uninterrupted.

It is said in official circles that it was to be expected that Russia would not withdraw from Manchuria and now any power proposing a withdrawal must be prepared to attempt to oust her by force. The correspondent of the Associated Press learns that the controversy between Russia and Japan on the subject of Corea has been conducted with the greatest caution, both sides showing an earnest desire to avoid a conflict. The Berlin diplomats do not expect a conflict.

Outlook Serious. Washington, April 9.—The administration is satisfied that the great danger of the situation at Peking lies in delay. Had the representations of Mr. Rockhill been heeded the officials are confident that the formidable rebellion, which has now broken out under the leadership of Gen. Tung Fu Sian, in Shen Si province, would never have occurred. Mr. Rockhill had satisfied himself that the Chinese government was absolutely sincere when it pleaded inability to punish this great general and Prince Tuan in the full measure demanded by the powers. It is the hope of the officials here that the Russian movement will stimulate the lagging ministers at Peking to final action. If it does not, and the court is obliged to flee from Si Nana Fu and the viceroys shall be overthrown, as seems probable, then all China will be plunged in anarchy in the estimate of the officials here.

"An American Colony." Vienna, April 9.—The French economist, M. Paul Leroy Beaulieu, in an article in the Nons Welner Tageblatt, discussing which civilized nation is likely to exploit in China, says: "It is probable that the chief role will fall to the United States, especially when the Niagarac canal has been dug. China will then, for economic purposes, become an American colony. The Americans know this, and their whole attitude during recent events has been marked by this sense and foresight."

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